

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2020-125-E

IN RE: Application of Dominion Energy South Carolina, Incorporated for Adjustment of Rates and Charges)
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**SETTLEMENT STATUS REPORT
 PURSUANT TO COMMISSION
 ORDER NO. 2021-18**

The Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) instructed the parties in the above-referenced docket to submit written status reports every thirty (30) days beginning on February 15, 2021, regarding the progress of any settlement discussions.¹ See Order No. 2021-18; see also Stipulation of Parties filed January 12, 2021. In compliance with Commission Order No. 2021-18, as well as the terms of the Stipulation, the parties hereby submit this joint status report and provide the Commission with an update on the progress of the settlement discussions.

I. UPDATE SINCE THE JOINT STATUS REPORT OF MARCH 15, 2021

The Joint Status report filed by the parties on March 15, 2021 advised the Commission that DESC received a counteroffer from ORS and the intervenors² and that DESC was evaluating the counteroffer. On March 26th, DESC advised that it had prepared a counteroffer to the offer from ORS and the intervenors. DESC presented its current counteroffer to the parties on March 29, 2021.

DESC met with ORS that same day to discuss the terms of the offer. DESC also presented to ORS the work papers used to calculate the figures contained in DESC's settlement counteroffer.

¹ Because February 15th is a state holiday, the filing date shifted to February 16, 2021, per Rule 6, SCRCF and S.C. Code Regs. 103-831.

² CMC Steel did not join the counteroffer but committed to not oppose the counteroffer.

DESC met a second time with ORS on March 31, 2021, to further discuss the March 29 settlement counteroffer. After that meeting, DESC provided ORS and the intervenors with a clarified counteroffer on April 1, 2021. DESC and the intervenors met virtually on April 13, 2021, to discuss DESC's April 1st clarified counteroffer.

The Parties are committed to working toward a mutually agreeable resolution. ORS and the Intervenor continue to plan to meet regularly and DESC will join the parties as needed to continue these settlement discussions. In compliance with Order No. 2021-18, as well as the terms of the Stipulation, the Parties will provide a further update to the Commission on their discussions no later than May 17, 2021.³

Respectfully submitted,

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³ Because May 15th is a Saturday, the deadline shifts to May 17, 2021, per Rule 6, SCRCF and S.C. Code Regs. 103-831.

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